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MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF, PLANS AND POLICY STAFF

SUBJECT: Monthly Report

ENCLOSURES: A. Staff Intelligence Annex
B. Recapitulation of Departmental Comments

1. In view of the incorporation of suggested changes to the Quarterly Production Plan in the portion of it submitted to your staff 30 March, no further comment is made here.

2. Enclosure A sets forth the current status of Staff intelligence projects. Projects appearing in the Quarterly Production Plan but not in Enclosure A are omitted because the date of publication is not sufficiently close at hand.

3. The departmental comments recapitulated in Enclosure B were generally helpful. The outstanding exception is the State dissent to ORE 9-48 "Cuban Political Trends." This dissent attributes to the estimate substance which is not contained therein. The Army still fails to meet deadlines. There appears to be some improvement, however, and it is not believed that failure to meet deadlines can be attributed to any other reason than the pressure of the Army's own commitments.

4. Estimates Group prepared a draft ORE Operating Procedure designed to keep all staff intelligence in proper channels. Action on this matter is urgent if there is to be one place in ORE where the status of staff intelligence in process is to be known. (The Deputy Assistant Director now has the draft.)

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